

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 – 15 are pending in the application.

The continuity data at the beginning of the specification has been updated to reflect that the parent application (08/900,101) has been abandoned.

The Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended to conform to a maximum of 150 words.

The Examiner is thanked for the indication of the allowability of claims 1 –14 and the allowability of claim 15 if rewritten to overcome the indefiniteness rejection. In conformity therewith, claim 15 has been amended to depend from claim 1. Additionally, claims 16 and 17 have been cancelled. Claims 1 – 3, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 12 –14 have been amended to delete the reference numerals.

Applicants have attempted to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action and believe that the application is now in condition for allowance.

However, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call in order to be able to resolve any outstanding issues and to expedite placement of the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,



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